

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2006 – 0800 MST
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 34 new fires reported. Three large fires were reported, two in the Southern Area and one in the Southwest Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Arkansas and Florida.

MAFFS Mission Commander Lieutenant Colonel Jeff Perryman, two MAFFS C-130 air tankers and support personnel from the 145th Tactical Airlift Wing have repositioned to Charlotte North Carolina on 48-hour availability.

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

WEST TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Texas State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hanneman) and a Minnesota Interagency Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hinds) are assigned in Midland, TX. The Teams are assisting local jurisdictions with managing initial and extended attack fires within the 140 million acre fire management response area. Acres, structure losses and costs represent cumulative fire activity for the response area.

SYCAMORE SPRINGS, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire started on private land seven miles southeast of Locust Grove, OK in timber. Strong winds increased the fire activity. Extreme fire behavior along the ridges was observed.

WEST 311, Okmulgee Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is two miles east of Gypsy, OK in grass. Extreme fire behavior was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
WEST TEXAS IA	TX	TXS	3,843	NR	UNK	312	0	16	5	0	7.3M	N/A
SYCAMORE SPRINGS	OK	OXS	240	75	3/29	2	0	1	0	0	NR	PRI
WEST 311	OK	OMA	550	90	3/27	0	0	4	0	0	18K	BIA

SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

BURRO, Coronado National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team has been ordered. This fire is 34 miles north of Douglas, AZ in timber. Structures in Cave Creek Canyon and threatened and endangered species habitat are threatened. Steep terrain, limited access, and heavy fuels are hampering containment efforts.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
BURRO	AZ	CNF	350	0	UNK	98	6	0	3	0	35K	FS

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: Dry weather and low humidity is again on tap for the Southeast as high pressure blankets the region. High pressure will also prevail over the Southwest.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southwest Area Mostly cloudy, much less windy and not as dry across Arizona, New Mexico and west Texas. Isolated light rain or higher elevation snow showers across Arizona and western New Mexico.	60 to 80 lower elevations of Arizona, New Mexico and west Texas. 40 to 60 across the higher elevations.	15 to 25% lower elevations of Arizona, New Mexico and much of west Texas. 25 to 40% higher elevations and parts of west Texas.	South to southwest 10 to 20 mph across Arizona and western New Mexico. South to east 10 to 20 mph across eastern New Mexico and west Texas.
Southern Area No information was reported.			



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

NFDRS POCKET CARDS

An aid to identifying local fuels conditions that might contribute to severe fire behavior is the NFDRS Pocket Card. The Pocket Card displays a general assessment of the fire potential compared to local fire occurrence and historical fire danger. It is a tool that can be used to track daily outputs of the National Fire Danger Rating System (NFDRS) throughout the fire season for a local area.

The Pocket Card provides:

- A general indicator of the potential for extreme fire behavior and difficulty of control.
- A graph to show the trend and status of the current year's fire season.
- A comparison of current year's conditions to historical worst and average conditions.
- Fire danger values related to past large fires.
- Locally significant values for temperature, humidity, wind speed, and more.

Discuss the following ways to use the Pocket Card:

- Use it primarily before fires occur, before arriving to a fire, and during initial stages of fire events, such as initial fire size-up, initial attack, and extended attack.
- Use the Pocket Card to track local fire danger and in so doing increase the safety of your firefighters through increased awareness of fire danger conditions. NOTE: If fire danger is running at or above seasonal highs, be alert to those weather conditions that can lead to extreme fire behavior; e.g., low RH, 1-hour fuel moisture less than 5%, high temperatures, moderate to high winds.
- Use it to track daily fire dangers so that there are no surprises when extreme fire behavior occurs.
- Use it to supplement local experience.
- Use the Pocket Card as a point of reference for firefighters not familiar with the area represented by the card.
- When you receive your fire assignment outside your local area, visit the National Pocket Card website at <http://famweb.nwccg.gov/pocketcards/>. Click on the map and locate a Pocket Card for the area to which you are going.
- Put the Card in the Pocket of all your firefighters and keep a copy in your fire vehicle.
- Post the card in dispatch. Use them in briefings. Provide them to incoming crews.
- Do not use the Pocket Card for site specific fire behavior predictions and fireline actions.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	0					0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	3				21	8	32
	ACRES	422				1,541	49	2,012
TOTAL	FIRES	4	0	0	0	21	9	34
	ACRES	422	0	0	0	1,541	49	2,012

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	10		2		2		14
	ACRES	6		3		1		10
Northern California	FIRES					64	8	72
	ACRES					1,530	1,244	2,774
Southern California	FIRES		4				23	27
	ACRES		10				11,095	11,105
Northern Rockies	FIRES		1		1	4	4	10
	ACRES		100		223	28	14	365
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	2			1		3
	ACRES	51	10			28		89
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7		1			8
	ACRES		9		1			10
Southwest	FIRES	163	27	1	24	194	135	544
	ACRES	801	1,431	431	3,490	202,256	11,948	220,357
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	7	6	7	2	96	20	138
	ACRES	307	0	407	0	82,838	7,319	90,871
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		1	6	2,520	129	2,657
	ACRES	1		5	57	33,203	2,624	35,890
Southern Area	FIRES	300		95	12	14,458	376	15,241
	ACRES	22,061		11,291	1,405	1,389,773	24,486	1,449,016
TOTAL	FIRES	481	47	106	46	17,339	695	18,714
	ACRES	23,227	1,560	12,137	5,176	1,709,657	58,730	1,810,487

Five Year Average Fires	8,633
Five Year Average Acres	118,116

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	0						0
	ACRES	117						117
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					2	7	9
	ACRES					160	3,755	3,915
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	7	9
	ACRES	117	0	0	0	160	3,755	4,032

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		81	14			15	110
	ACRES		1,978	530			113	2,621
Northern California	FIRES	12	3	3	2		47	67
	ACRES	101	219	1,751	6		705	2,782
Southern California	FIRES		4	2			47	53
	ACRES		284	24			1,403	1,711
Northern Rockies	FIRES		4					4
	ACRES		608					608
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	6			1	2	10
	ACRES	4	858			2	303	1,167
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1	1				2
	ACRES		10	10				20
Southwest	FIRES	12	3	2			55	72
	ACRES	534	85	320			6,848	7,787
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	8	4	26	5	13	61	117
	ACRES	829	110	6,094	74	370	6,011	13,488
Eastern Area	FIRES			17	10	175	61	263
	ACRES			1,214	2,347	18,397	18,601	40,559
Southern Area	FIRES			96	10	189	540	835
	ACRES			42,793	6,131	97,850	425,967	572,741
TOTAL	FIRES	33	106	161	27	378	828	1,533
	ACRES	1,468	4,152	52,736	8,558	116,619	459,951	643,484

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest										
Northern California										
Southern California		6		15		2				8
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest			3						3	
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area				5		1				5
Southern Area			34	37	4	4	3		227	144
Total	0	6	37	57	4	7	3	0	230	157

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